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In re Patent Application of

Kjell Gustafsson et al.

Application No. 09/348,494

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 2, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending.

The allowance of claims 3-5 and 14-16 is gratefully acknowledged.

Claims 1, 2, 6-13, and 17-20 stand rejected for obviousness over a combination of "prior art admitted by applicant in figure 3 of the present specification" and U.S. Patent No. 4,823,398 to Hashimoto ("Hashimoto"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

As discussed in the Brief for Appellant filed on November 1, 2002, FIG. 3 depicts a diversity communication system, such as the IMT 2000 system. In FIG. 3, a first antenna 310 receives radio signals that are provided to a first RF processor 330, and a second antenna 312 receives radio signals that are provided to a second RF processor 332. The RF processors 330, 332 produce respective intermediate signals that are provided to a base band processor 340.

The pending Action admits that FIG. 3 fails to disclose selectively activating and deactivating the second RF processor based on whether diversity is appropriate and tries to remedy this deficiency with Hashimoto, referring to Hashimoto's FIG. 1 and col. 2, II. 49-59. Hashimoto's FIG. 1 shows two receivers 3, 4, a switch 7, which

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$\$ \$55.00 (2814) \$\infty\$\$ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed. Also enclosed is/are _ Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant(s) previously submitted _, for which continued examination is requested. Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also \boxtimes No additional claim fee is required.



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